WHO NEEDS A FLORIDA DRIVER LICENSE

If you live in Florida and want to drive a motor vehicle on public streets and highways you need a Florida driver's license. If you move to Florida from another state, you must get a Florida license within 30 days of becoming a resident. You are considered a resident of Florida if you: Enroll your children in public school, or register to vote, or file for a homestead exemption, or accept employment, or reside in Florida for more than six consecutive months. Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles website is http://flhsmv.gov

FLORIDA DRIVER LICENSE (DL) OR IDENTIFICATION CARD (ID)

Each application must include the following information: Statement from applicant swearing to or affirming that the information and statements on the application are true; Full name (first, middle or maiden, last); gender; social security number, Legal proof of birth, Date of birth, Country of birth, Country of residence, mailing and physical address; whether the applicant has previously been licensed to drive and if so when and by what state and whether the driving privileges have been suspended, disqualified, or revoked. Applicant must consent to release of driving record information entitling the department to request, receive, and exchange such information with other US jurisdiction.

All applicants for new and existing Florida Driver's license and Identification card being issued or renewed after January 2010 must show proof of birth, name changes since birth, social security cards, and proof of residency. The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHMV) has provided a website (which is owned and maintained by them) to assist in making sure you have all the information with you BEFORE you come into any State Driver License Office or Tax Collector offices that provide driver license services. The web site www.gathergoget.com (think GATHER info GO to office and GET your DL or ID) will assist you in making sure you have all the documentation you will be required to take with you per Chapter 322, Florida Statute. Listed below is some of the information from the website.

The DHMV main office address is Neil Kirkman Building; 2900 Apalachee Parkway; Tallahassee, FL 32399-0500; email HSMV-info@flhsmv.gov; Main Phone number (850) 617-2000.

If you would need to find a local DHMV office, view hand books or procedural manuals for driver license, auto & vessel titles and/or registrations, visit their website at http://www.flhsmv.gov

Other DHMV Phone Numbers/Extensions:

(850) 617-2000 Boats, Vessels, Titling and Registrations/Tags

(850) 617-3711 International Registration Plan (IRP)

(850) 617-2909 Motor Carrier Services

(850) 617-2808 Recreation Vehicles (RVs)

(850) 617-3711 Heavy Truck Registrations

(850) 617-3416 To order a Crash Report

(850) 617-3105 Crash Statistics Section

Local Tax Collector Offices listed after the local Driver's License offices in the next section of this handout.

WWW.GATHERGOGET.COM

Information following is from www.Gathergoget.com website

1. Primary Identification				
One original or certified copy of the following documents				
Certified United States birth certificate, including territories and District of Columbia				
Valid United States Passport or Passport Card				
Consular Report of Birth Abroad				
Certification of Naturalization, Form N-550 or Form N-570				
Certificate of Citizenship, Form N-560 or Form N-561				
Notes: A birth certificate must be issued by a government agency. Hospital birth certificates cannot be accepted.				
When necessary, marriage certificates, court orders, or divorce decrees must be provided to tie the name on the primary				
identification to the name the customer would like to place on the driver license or ID card				
2. Proof of Social Security Number				
One original or certified copy of the following documents				
Social security card				
W-2 form				
Pay check				
SSA-1099				
Non-SSA-1099				
3. Two (2) Proofs of Residential Address Two of the following documents showing your residential address				
Deed, mortgage, monthly mortgage statement, mortgage payment booklet or residential rental/lease agreement				
Florida Voter Registration Card				
Florida Vehicle Registration or Title				
Florida Boat Registration or Title (if living on a boat/houseboat)				
A statement from a parent, step-parent or legal guardian of an applicant. The parent or guardian must reside at the same residence,				
accompany the applicant and present their "Proof of Residential Address"				
A utility hook up or work order dated within 60 days of the application				
Automobile Payment Booklet				
Selective Service Card				
Medical or Health card with address listed				
Current homeowner's insurance policy or bill				
Current automobile policy or bill				
Educational institution transcript forms issued by a government agency in the US				
Unexpired professional license issued by a government agency in the US				
W-2 form or 1099 form				
Form DS2019, Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) status				
A letter form a homeless shelter, transitional service provider, or a half-way house verifying the customer resides at the shelter address				
Utility bills, not more than two months old				
Mail from financial institutions; including checking, savings, or investment account statements, not more than two months old				
Mail from Federal, State, County, or City government agencies				
Transients - Sexual Offender/Predator/Career Offender: FDLE Registration form completed by local sheriff's department				

DRIVER LICENSE TESTING

The following tests are given at the driver license offices or may not be required for the license or identification card you are applying for.

Hearing: Drivers applying for a license who are deaf, or cannot hear conversation spoken in a normal tone of voice are restricted to driving with an outside rearview mirror which should be mounted on the left side of the vehicle, or wearing of a hearing aid.

Vision: Vision testing, using an eye machine located on the counter, is conducted in all driver license offices. Visual acuity readings worse than 20/40 are referred to an eye specialist. Color blindness will not cause any special condition for licensing.

Road Signs: Road sign test consist of 20 questions regarding road signs, with multiple answers.

Road Rules: Road rules test consists of 20 questions regarding traffic laws and safety with multiple choice answers.

Driving Test: You must provide a vehicle for the driving test. The vehicle must have a valid tag, proof of insurance. (Most Tax Collector offices do not provide this test.) During the test the examiner will observe your ability to control the vehicle and how well you obey traffic laws. Driver license, motorcycle, DCL (commercial vehicle) handbooks are available at local driver license offices and online at the DHMV website http://www.flhsmv.gov

STANDARD DRIVER LICENSE FEES

License type	fee	License type	fe	<u>e</u>
Original Class E	\$ 48.00	Administration fee	\$	130.00
Renewal Class E	\$ 48.00	D-6 Suspension	\$	60.00
Replacement license	\$ 25.00	Disqualification	\$	75.00
Delinquent	\$ 15.00	Revocations	\$	75.00
Endorsements	\$ 7.00	Suspensions	\$	45.00
Knowledge re test	\$ 10.00	Child Support Suspension	\$	60.00
Skill re-test	\$ 20.00	Worthless Check Suspension	\$	55.00
Identification Card Original	\$25.00	Filing for Hardship hearing	\$	12.00
ID Card Renewal	\$25.00	Filing for Formal/Informal Review	\$	25.00
I D Card Replacement	\$25.00	DUI Program (assessed by the program	n)\$	15.00
*Tax Collector Service fee	\$ 6.00	Interlock (assessed by the vendor	\$	12.00

^{*}Additional fee if using a Tax Collector Office instead of the State Driver's License office

Driver Licenses

Commercial Driver License (CDL)

Class A: Trucks or truck combinations weighing with a gross vehicle weight of 26,001lbs or more, provided towed vehicle is more than 10,000lbs.

Class B: Straight trucks weighing 26,001lbs gross vehicle weight

Class C: Vehicles transporting placard able amounts of hazardous materials or vehicles designed to transport more than 15 persons including the driver with a gross vehicle weight of less than 26,001lbs.

Non-Commercial Driver Licenses

Class E: Any non-commercial motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight less than 26,001lbs including passenger cars, 15 passenger vans including the driver, trucks or recreational vehicles and two or three wheeled motor vehicles 50cc or less, such as mopeds or small scooters. Farmers and drivers of authorized emergency vehicles who are exempt from obtaining a commercial driver license must obtain a Class E license.

Class E Learner: Special restrictions go to http://www.flhsmv.gov/ddl/dlclass.html for additional information Motorcycle: Endorsement or Motorcycle only